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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on 8-16 lb. frozen hens mixed, with the 8-12 lb. firm and 12 -16 lb. hens barely steady. Frozen toms 16-24 lb. steady to barely steady. Limited trading reported. Inquiry light. Some frozen offerings involve purchasing of hens and toms in combination only. Supplies uneven. Parts and meats trading slow. Demand light.



### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading light. Demand limited, except for prompt shipments of product to Mexico before permits expire at the end of this month. Sale of export whole body hens reported at 61 cents East coast port. Supplies adequate for the current demand.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **SEPTEMBER 24, 2002**

#### CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

#### FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

#### OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	65-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	64-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	58-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	55-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	56-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	65-69	65	65.00	10	60.00	80	NOV	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	64-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	56-60	56	56.00	20	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	55-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	56-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 24 SEPTEMBER 2002.

The undertone was steady to barely steady on fresh tom breast meat, steady to fully steady on fresh destrapped tenderloins and fresh wing meat. Demand was light to instances fair on fresh tom breast meat, moderate on fresh destrapped tenderloins and wing meat. Offerings were adequate to sometimes fully adequate on fresh tom breast meat, light on fresh destrapped tenderloins and fresh wing meat. Continued interest was noted on frozen wing meat with skin. Domestic trading centered on a moderately light volume of tails for export, balance slow. Fresh wing meat traded at 54-55 cents and frozen -10 months age frozen wing meat at 38 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	99.00	960
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/	148.00		148.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		W	91.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	20.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	20.73	165
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	19.00	120
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	22.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	22.00	18
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	30.00	9
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		M	56.00	9
NECKS, TOM		R	14.35	55
NECKS, HEN		R	14.00	10
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	139.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	188.00		188.00	40
THIGH MEAT		T	50.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	56.63	76
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT	78.00		78.00	15
TENDERLOINS		F	120.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		M	114.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	143.00		143.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	50.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		R	17.00	40

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	19.72	516
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	22.00	208
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	26.00	104
TAILS	17.00		17.00	350
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	19.50	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	53.00	640

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins. 4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

#### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96
FRESH Y TOMS 14-24#	96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	72
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	64
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	66-71

#### **SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	89-119
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	89-119
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	85-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	84-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	102-105

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 25 SEPTEMBER 2002.

The undertone thigh meat was steady to fully steady, strongest for prompt export shipments to Mexico. Trade sentiment on fresh mechanically separated turkey (MST) was steady to barely steady, frozen steady to firm for prompt export deliveries. Export inquiry was active for Mexico on MST and thigh meat for prompt shipments before permits expire at the end of the month. Fresh MST demand was light to fair for the light to adequate supplies. Bulk parts undertone was fully steady on hen 2-joint wings, tom drums steady with some cautious confidence noted, balance mostly steady. Domestic trading was light on all items. Export trading centered on frozen -20% 17.50 cents delivered port for October, 2002 - September, 2003 shipments, balance light. Fresh wing meat traded at 56-58, mostly 56 cents delivered domestic. For export: frozen whole tenderloins 117, plant grade basted 8-10 lb. breasts 86 and 10-12 lb. breasts 103 cents shipping point.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	99.00		99.00	280
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		T	148.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	92.00		92.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	21.00		21.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	20.73	165
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	18.00-19.00		18.33	60
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	21.00		21.00	14
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	21.00		21.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	30.00	9
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	54.00		54.00	20
NECKS, TOM	14.00		14.00	28
NECKS, HEN		R	14.00	10
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	139.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	184.00-188.00		185.55	163
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	57.00		57.00	43
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT	77.00		77.00	20
TENDERLOINS		F	120.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		M	114.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	140.00		140.00	100
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	50.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	16.50-18.00		17.15	612

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TAILS		T	17.00	350
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.00-21.00		19.87	92
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	54.00-56.00		55.62	316

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#### **BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 09/25/02**

##### **POULTRY HEALTH BOARD**

##### **ACCUMULATED**

SEASON	HEAVY WHITE	HEAVY WHITES	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30			
2002-2003	3,950	126,455	126,755
2001-2002	3,405	126,107	126,407